

Delaware Trauma System Committee

Public Health Training Center, Dover Delaware

September 3, 2014

12:30 – 2:12 PM

Members Present: E. Alexander, A. Barnes*, K. Bristowe, M. Cipolle*, D. Cloney, K. Collison, D. Eberly*, D. Hochstuhl*, M.B. Holland*, E. Johnson*, D. Jones, B. King, S. Raab-Long*, C. Monico, D. Short, J. Simpler, W. Walton

Alternates/Guests Present: J. Atwood, K. Boyer, D. Curtis*, C. Dever, S. Elwell*, C. Faedtke*, J. Hammond*, L. Jones (phone), T. Kettermen, M. LeNoir, P. Matthews, J. McCue, M. Pragg, C. Peters, J. Pirrung*, D. Seador, J. Shiu, J. Whaley*

Staff Present: P. Cowan, A. Fulton, D. Hainsworth, M.S. Jones*, R. Megargel*, S. Murphy*, G. Tinkoff*, C. LeComte

Members Excused:

<u>Topics</u>	<u>DISCUSSION LEADER</u>	<u>INFORMATION/ACTION/PLAN</u>
I. Welcome and Introductions	S. Murphy	
A. Minutes	S. Murphy	Minutes were reviewed and approved as written.
II. New Business		
A. Patient Tracker System	D. Hainsworth	DE TRAC, an electronic patient/resource tracking system, is being implemented throughout the state. The system is developed for facility evacuation and MCI. The program was field-tested during a hard landing drill at the Dover Air Force Base. The program is user friendly, has various reporting tools, and allows for better communication and situational awareness. Training with hospitals, EMS agencies, long term care facilities, sheltering operations, Dover Air Force Base and the Delaware National Guard will start, with the goal of being on-line for bed and situational awareness updates by November 1 st .
B. System Updates		No updates other than Networking Highlights.
C. Other	D. Hainsworth	The report <i>The Legalization of Marijuana in Colorado: the Impact</i> has been published. The link to the document will be shared with members of the committee via email. The information may have relevance for Delaware in terms of changes in injury rates experienced in Colorado.
III. Unfinished Business & Reports		
A. Unfinished Business		
1. Trauma System funding legislation and related initiatives	M.S. Jones	D. Mills (Nemours) met with Senator R. Venables about the value of our state's trauma system but there has been no feedback yet. The Fire Service has had several funding bills introduced, but none have passed both houses of the legislature. Legislation did pass that requires the Fire Prevention Commission to work with the Insurance Commissioner to develop funding mechanisms in reference to volunteer ambulance companies. Two federal bills regarding funding to improve consistent trauma system care throughout the country have passed but are not appropriated at this time. In a recent survey by Scripps Washington Bureau on trauma system state funding, a few states were receiving funds for their trauma system from Medicaid supplements. This information is to be investigated further.
2. Telemedicine update	M.S. Jones, D. Hochstuhl M. Cipolle	Credentialing is the current issue with Christiana and Beebe related to telemedicine. The link is still there but not being used at this time. Christiana and duPont are viewing images but not video during consults with the other instate hospitals for patients being transferred. Christiana Hospital is establishing

		a task force to review the topic of telemedicine. Beebe and Nanticoke Hospitals utilize iPad technology for portable pediatric consults with duPont Hospital for children waiting to be transferred to duPont.
3. NASEMSO Air Medical Committee	R. Megargel	The first meeting was held. Information to be shared during the Trauma Quality Meeting.
4. Other		—
B. Designation Committee Report		
1. 2014 site visits – MMH, BMC	J. Hammond J. Whaley	Milford Memorial has not yet received their report of their July visit. Beebe's site visit is on September 4-5.
2. 2015 site visits	M.S. Jones	Participating hospitals, St. Francis and Wilmington, will have their site visits in April 2015. Christiana Hospital and Bayhealth Kent are scheduled for ACS visits in November 2015.
C. Trauma System Quality Evaluation Committee Report		
1. Trauma System Registry data – Collector Version 5	M.S. Jones	Nanticoke, Christiana, Wilmington, and duPont Hospitals have transitioned to the updated Collector software. Bayhealth, St. Francis, and Beebe are scheduled for upgrade in October. The System Registry's historical data will be converted to the new software. 2014 system data will not be available until March 2015. The new version is user friendly and registrars are happy with it.
2. Data – research projects - State Prehospital Project - Value Institute Project (CH) - ATV Task Force, Nemours Health and Prevention Services - Splenic injury research (DHC) - Drowning injury research (DHC) -Violence injury research	M.S. Jones R. Megargel D. Hochstuhl S. Murphy M.S. Jones G. Tinkoff	The project will be discussed during the Quality meeting. The statistician is evaluating the prehospital, triage, and transport data from the Trauma System Registry regarding helicopter use, penetrating trauma vs blunt trauma, and Coumadin use. The group met in March and the next meeting is September 25 th . One focus is an educational sub- group that is developing educational plans. A policy group working with different factions such as the ATV industry, families, and medical and non-medical personnel is the other focus that was developed out of the initial meeting. The goal is to submit legislation in 2015. Trauma System Registry data is being used to identify trends. The analysis has been completed and shows the positive impact of the Delaware Trauma System. The paper was accepted by the American Association of Trauma Surgeons as a Podium Presentation, which is the highest level of presentation. Dr. Emily Murphy (DHC) has asked for Trauma System Registry drowning data. Paper to be presented as a pediatric platform presentation. Dr. Atanda, an orthopaedic specialist with the duPont Hospital for Children requested and received data from the Trauma System Registry regarding violence for research on violence prevention.
Networking Highlights		
1.State EMS Medical Director	R. Megargel	New standing orders were approved by the Board of Medical Practice. ALS regulations take effect on November 3 rd 2014 and the target date for BLS implementation is April 1, 2015. The BLS Narcan program is to be expanded. The Peace Officer Narcan Project/Naloxone Protocol was approved.
2. Office of EMS	D. Hainsworth	As stated previously, EMS is rolling out the new patient resource/tracking system. EMS is the

		designated lead for implementation of the Peace Officer Narcan/Naloxone Protocol. The police departments that at this time are interested in the program are New Castle, Ocean View, and Newark.
3. Public Health Preparedness	D. Hainsworth	The Public Health Symposium will be October 29 th . The focus will be on recovery.
4. Office of Highway Safety (OHS)	J. Simpler	Fatal crashes are up from last year. Data analysis shows no trends at this time. Due to that fact, the September through December mobilizations will focus on two combined factors such as speeding and belt usage in a single mobilization. NHTSA (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration) did a study and recognized Delaware for law enforcement numbers per capita and for the messages used to encourage folks not to use cell phones. Study is not yet published.
5. Injury Prevention: Coalition for Injury Prevention, Delaware Safe Kids	J. Whaley	The creation of a website for the Coalition is almost completed and will be available for access before the end of 2014 we hope.
	M.S. Jones	A project the Coalition participated in was the Children's Safety Network Community of Practice (CoP) for TBI. It involved organizing a team with stakeholders, setting local goals, and assessing the progress of the team as they participated in monthly webinars. There has been an announcement of a new Community of Practice on the prevention of distracted and impaired driving. This CoP, as the previous one, aims to improve participants' knowledge of, and ability to implement, best practices related to innovative technologies, policies, laws, partnerships, and programs that reduce the burden of injury.
	D. Curtis	Governor Markel signed a proclamation celebrating September 23 rd , the first day of fall, as Fall Prevention Day in Delaware to coincide with the national awareness campaign.
	J. McCue	The duPont Hospital Safety Store is expanding. The store will continue to provide low cost safety equipment to the community but will also double as a learning center with educational programs and activities. The duPont Hospital Mobile Safety Store is up and running and will be scheduled to visit different pediatric clinics, health fairs and community festivals. The Mobile Safety Store is partnering with K. Boyer and Safe Kids to target both A.I. duPont and Christiana Hospitals, the YMCA's, and stores that sell Halloween costumes to get the word out that on Halloween night kids are twice as likely to get hit by a car. Reflective articles to wear, reflective treat bags and zipper pulls, and tip sheets for parents will be available.
	K. Boyer	A. I. duPont Hospital, Christiana Care Health Services, and the Delaware Emergency Nurses Association will show "Head Games" at the Middletown Emergency Department on September 24 th . Christiana Hospital has a new Violence Intervention and Prevention Coordinator, C. Molins. One aspect of this position is connecting with Social Services to help prevent repeat violent injury, and another is building strong ties with violence interrupters and outreach workers who have strong community ties and support in their efforts to prevent violence as part of the Wilmington Cease Violence Program.
6. DE ACS- COT & DE Chapter, ATS	D. Hochstuhl	There is no report for the Delaware ATS Chapter but please remit your dues, which are returned to the state in large part. The DE Chapter supports the Trauma Symposium and injury prevention efforts.
	M. Cipolle	The ACS orange book will be in use for site visits in the 3rd quarter of 2015. ACS will meet during October in San Francisco, CA. The 2014 American College of Surgeons Trauma Quality Improvement Program (ACS TQIP ®) Annual Scientific Meeting and Training will be held in November in Chicago. The Region III meeting will be in December in Washington, D.C. The first day of the meeting is a day of advocacy when members visit Capitol Hill and meet with members of Congress.
	G. Tinkoff	The Inaugural Injury Prevention Coordinators Symposium and Summit is September 10th in

		Philadelphia. The meeting is sponsored by the Trauma Prevention Coalition, whose members and affiliates include The American Association for the Surgery of Trauma, American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma, Eastern Association for the Surgery of Trauma, Society of Trauma Nurses, American Trauma Society, American Association of Orthopedic Surgeons & Orthopedic Trauma Association, Pediatric Trauma Society & The Injury Free Coalition for Kids, ThinkFirst, the Trauma Center Association of America, and Safe States. The focus of the meeting is to find a professional home for Injury Prevention Coordinators, develop a course curriculum for Injury Prevention Coordinators, and determine courses to offer from injury prevention programs that have been shown to work and are valid for national study.
7. DEMSOC/EMS	D. Hainsworth	The next meeting is September 24 th . EMS from Maryland has requested that EMS of Delaware be on standby for the celebration of the 200 th anniversary of the Star Spangled Banner on 9/11, an event that is expected to draw 2.5 million people.
8. EMS-C	M.S. Jones	The Pediatric Emergency Care Facility Recognition Program will hold site visits the end of 2014 or early 2015. Recognition is for 3 years. All the hospitals have submitted their applications. Jane Ball, RN, DrPH, presented some results from the EMSC Targeted Issue grant research at the last EMSC meeting. The project consisted of comparing the 8 hospitals in Delaware which are recognized centers to hospitals in North Carolina which are not recognized centers to determine if there were any differences in the care provided. Recognized centers were better at noting and treating pain and in reducing radiation exposure for children. The link to this journal article will be shared when available.
9. DPH Office of Rural Health	K Collison	Federal funding has been reduced due to funding methodology. The Mid Atlantic Telehealth Resource Center Summit will be held in March 2015.
10. Brain Injury Association/TBI/ OTDAB	J. Hammond	The Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Board is searching for a new Board member to fill the open position of a family member of a donor. The Board voted to be one of the sponsors along with A.I. DuPont and Christiana Hospitals of the Inaugural Donor Dash, 500K Run. The event's objective is to raise awareness about donation and transplantation, promote participation in the Delaware State Registry of Donors, and raise funds for additional educational programing in Delaware relating to organ donation and transplantation.
11. TSC member agencies	D. Short D. Eberly D. Hochstuhl M.S. Jones	Two new helicopters have been purchased. The first one will be delivered in October. A second neurosurgeon has been added to the staff of Bayhealth Kent General Hospital, Doctor Alcindor Dunbar. He was previously at Allegheny General Hospital in Pennsylvania. On Labor Day, some Bayhealth employees participated in the Brain Injury Association of Delaware second annual BrainStrong 5K Walk/Run at Wild Quail Country Club in Dover. The Annual Pediatric Trauma Conference will be held September 26 th at duPont Hospital. The Eastern Shore Emergency/Critical Care Symposium is scheduled for early November 2014.
<u>Adjourn/ Next Meeting</u>		2:27 p.m. <u>Thursday, December 18, 2014 at 12:30, DPH Offices in Edgehill Shopping Center, Dover</u>